

HOUSE No. 781

By Mr. O'Flaherty of Chelsea, petition of Eugene L. O'Flaherty relative to the jurisdiction of the Housing Court Department. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE HOUSING COURT DEPARTMENT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 3 of chapter 185C of the General Laws, as appearing in
- 2 the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 40, by adding
- 3 the following sentence:— The housing court department shall
- 4 also have common law and statutory jurisdiction concurrent with
- 5 the divisions of the district court department and the superior
- 6 court department over commercial property within its geographic
- 7 jurisdiction, including, but not limited to, commercial evictions
- 8 pursuant to chapter two hundred and thirty-nine.